

**S5/ Lx/ Syntax/ Catch-up Examination/Feb 2016/  
TWO HOURS.**

**Answer the questions on the answer sheet; make sure to write your name and seal your sheet.**

**A. Write a paragraph of 90 to 100 words to explain the need for an INTERMEDIATE CATEGORY. Use arguments and data as needed and as appropriate.**

**B. Explain in 40 to 50 words each what the following terms are about:**

1. Phrase head;
2. Specifier.

**C. Account for the ungrammaticality of these sentences; ONLY SYNTACTIC EXPLANATION will be taken as valid:**

\*= ungrammatical

1. \*Ali have two sisters.
2. \*The jones they live in London.
3. \*speaks she three European languages.

**D. Draw X-bar trees for the following constituents; do not use triangles:**

1. Cook dinner;
2. Almost three o'clock;
3. Sometimes go to the movies;
4. In the office.

**E. Draw a tree for the following sentence; do not use triangles.**

The chairman suggested that the workers seriously try to finish the dam before the summer.